Resources

Sharps Injury Log

Use with Chapter 296-823 WAC, Occupational Exposure to Bloodborne Pathogens

Establishment Name: Year

The Bloodborne Pathogen rule requires that you establish and maintain a Sharps Injury Log to record all contaminated sharps injuries in a facility. The purpose of this log is to help you evaluate and identify problem devices or procedures that require attention.

The Sharps Injury Log needs to do all of the following:

- Maintain sharps injuries separately from other injuries and illness kept on the Injury and Illness Log as required by WAC 296-27, Recordkeeping and Reporting
- Include ALL sharps injuries that occur during a calendar year
- Be retained for 5 years beyond the completion of that calendar year **AND**
- Preserve the confidentiality of affected employees.

Sample format for recording sharps injuries:

Date	Case/ Report No.	Type of Device (examples: syringe, suture needle)	Brand Name of Device	Work Area where injury occurred (examples: Geriatrics, Lab)	Brief description of how the incident occurred (examples: procedure being done, action being performed, injection, disposal, body part injured)

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